

REMARKS

At the outset, applicants and their attorneys wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the recent interview. The Examiner's careful attention to the application on that occasion is greatly appreciated.

At the interview, it was agreed that the Examiner would bring her search up to date, but that if nothing more pertinent was found on that further search, she would allow the application with claim 1 amended as above.

Accordingly, claim 1 is amended herewith exactly as considered at the interview.

As was pointed out at the interview, the present invention is an improvement over DARBY by eliminating the straight edges of DARBY. This reduces the amount of folding and binding at the edges. See page 5, lines 30-32, page 7, lines 30-31, and page 9, lines 1-16 of DARBY.

As claim 1 now clearly distinguishes invention over DARBY, it is believed that it is patentable, and with it the claims that depend therefrom.

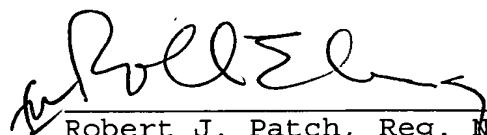
In view of the recent interview and the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, therefore, it is believed that this application has been placed in condition for allowance, and reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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